Chapter 19.554

Trash/Recyclable Materials Collection Area Enclosures

19.554.010 Purpose

This Chapter sets forth standards for the construction of trash/recyclable materials collection area enclosures to ensure that such features are aesthetically pleasing and screen the trash and recycle containers without obstructing views or causing a public safety hazard or nuisance.

19.554.020 Design and Development Standards

- A. Centralized trash/recyclable materials collection areas shall be provided for all development projects, with the exception of detached and attached single-family subdivisions and planned communities and any multi-family development containing 3 or fewer units. All such required areas shall be enclosed and screened pursuant to the requirements of this section.
- B. The required number of enclosures shall be determined by the Public Works Department, Solid Waste Division.
- C. All trash/recyclable materials collection enclosure areas shall be easily accessible to residents and tenants, including easy pedestrian access for the disposal of materials and collection by refuse vehicles. Where a bin or bins serves a residential development with 5 or more units, the enclosure shall be designed to allow for gateless pedestrian access, unless through review of the site plan it is determine that such access cannot physically be provided.
- D. Two general types of trash/recyclable materials collection enclosure areas shall be permitted: a basic enclosure and a full-feature enclosure. These enclosures shall be as defined and described in the City of Riverside Trash Enclosure Policies maintained by the Planning Division and Public Works Department, Solid Waste Division. Basic enclosures shall only be permitted for developments containing 4 of fewer residential units or nonresidential lease spaces.
- E. All trash/recyclable materials collection enclosure areas shall comply with the development standards set forth in the City of Riverside Trash Enclosure Policies. At a minimum, the following standards shall apply.
 - 1. The collection area shall be enclosed on 3 sides by a minimum 6-foot-tall decorative masonry wall. The wall materials used shall be complementary in color and style to architectural components of the development they serve. The fourth side of the enclosure shall be enclosed with an opaque and latchable gate designed to the standards set forth in the City of Riverside Trash Enclosure Policies.

- 2. The enclosure shall be screened with plant materials as defined through the Design Review process.
- F. Plans shall be submitted for all proposed enclosure areas. Plans shall be drawn to scale and shall include complete elevations, plot plans, and construction details.
- G. Design modifications to accommodate special circumstances are allowed. However, all deviations from standard requirements and policies must be approved through the Design Review process prior to the issuance of building permits.